FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MB Docket No. 22-420; RM-11937; DA 22-1247; FR ID 117267]

Television Broadcasting Services Yuma, Arizona

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission has before it a petition for rulemaking filed by Gray Television Licensee, LLC (Petitioner), the holder of a construction permit for channel 11 at Yuma, Arizona. The Petitioner requests the substitution of channel 27 for channel 11 at Yuma in the Table of Allotments.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] and reply comments on or before [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 45 L Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve counsel for the Petitioner as follows: Joan Stewart, Esq., Wiley Rein, 2050 M Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In support, the Petitioner states that grant of the proposed channel substitution serves the public interest because it will provide a robust signal for over-the-air reception while avoiding the well- documented indoor reception issues with digital VHF stations. According to the Petitioner, the Commission has recognized the deleterious effects manmade noise has on the reception of digital VHF signals, and that the propagation

characteristics of these channels allow undesired signals and noise to be receivable at relatively farther distances compared to UHF channels, and nearby electrical devices can cause interference. The Engineering Statement submitted with the Petition demonstrates that the proposal complies with all relevant technical requirements for amendment of the Table of TV Allotments, including the interference protection requirements of section 73.616 of the Commission's rules, and further demonstrates that the proposed channel 27 facility will provide full principal community coverage to Yuma, Arizona. Additionally, no change in transmitting location is proposed from that in the construction permit. This channel substitution must be coordinated with Mexico.

This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, MB Docket No. 22-420; RM-11937; DA 22-1247, adopted December 2, 2022, and released December 2, 2022. The full text of this document is available for download at https://www.fcc.gov/edocs. To request materials in accessible formats (braille, large print, computer diskettes, or audio recordings), please send an email to FCC504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Government Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (VOICE), (202) 418-0432 (TTY).

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See Sections 1.415 and 1.420 of the Commission's rules for information regarding the proper filing procedures for comments, 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

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Proposed Rule

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission proposes to amend 47 CFR part 73 as follows:

PART 73 -- RADIO BROADCAST SERVICE

1. The authority citation for part 73 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 155, 301, 303, 307, 309, 310, 334, 336, 339.

§ 73.622 [Amended]

2. In § 73.622 in paragraph (j), amend the Table of Allotments under Arizona by revising the entry for Yuma to read as follows:

§ 73.622 Table of allotments.

(j) ***

Community	Channel No.

ARIZONA	

Yuma	27

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